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1. In the inner port of Ventspils Harbor, on the north bank of the Venta River, there are several grain elevators, as well as four [REDACTED] diesel-electric cranes with a lifting capacity of 6 tons each. 25X1
2. Farther up the river, there is a small number of [REDACTED] cranes with a lifting capacity of 20 tons each. 25X1
3. A submarine base is located on the south bank of the river opposite the grain elevators. In mid-November 1953, twelve submarines were tied up in the area, in four groups of three submarines each. Several MTBs, mine-sweepers, and minelayers were also observed at the base.
4. No signs of either antiaircraft or radar defenses could be seen except those on vessels in the harbor.
5. There is a three-story building connected to a tower at the naval base, which is located on the south bank of the river. The tower was occupied by uniformed personnel and training in both flag semaphore and visual morse code was carried out from this tower to ships in the harbor. This signal practice took place during the day and also at night.
6. [REDACTED] the main naval activity is centered on the south bank of the river opposite the grain elevators. 25X1

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